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- 1) Letter of Transmittal (1 page)
- 2) Amendment to Office Action (6 pages)
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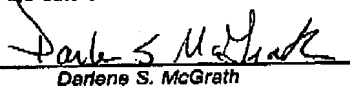
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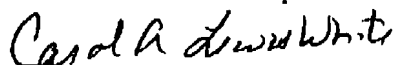
Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and  
Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

1. Amendment to Office Action (6 pages); and
2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 page).

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OTHER FEES DUE UNDER §1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS  
APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1729.**

Respectfully submitted,

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